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Attention Nursing Facilities, ICF-MR's and PRTF's Cost Report Training

Cost report training will be held February 8 and 10, 2000. The February 8 session is open to cost report preparers. The full-day training will be a work session on the correct and complete way to fill out the cost reports. Training will also include information on allowable costs and applicability to rate setting. On February 10 two identical training sessions will be held, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. This training will be geared toward the needs of the facility administrator and personnel responsible for compiling information for cost report preparers. Allowability of costs and applicability to rate setting will be reviewed.

The training sessions will be February 8, 8:30-4:30, with lunch on your own, and February 10 from 8:30-11:30 or 1:30-4:30. All sessions will be held at Hinds Community College, Rankin County Campus, Highway 80 East in Pearl. For more information, please contact the Medicaid Bureau of Reimbursement at (601) 359-6046.

Cost Report Work Sessions						
when February 8, 2000	when February 10, 2000					
for Cost Report Preparers	for Facility Administrators & Personnel responsible for Compiling Information for Cost Report preparers					

location

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Hinds Community College, Rankin County Campus, Highway 80 East in Pearl.



1999 Owners' Salary Limits for Long-Term Care Facilities

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The maximum allowable salaries for 1999 are as follows:

	•	Intermediate Care Facilities for the Mentally Retarded (ICF-MR)	\$60,228
	•	Small Nursing Facilities (1-60 Beds)	\$61,499
	•	Large Nursing Facilities (61 + Beds)	\$90,321
	•	Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities (PRTF)	\$62,354
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Allowable Board of Directors Fees for Nursing Facilities, ICF-MR's and PRTF's 1999 Cost Reports

The allowable Board of Directors fees that will be used in the desk reviews and audits of 1999 cost reports filed by nursing facilities (NF's), intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded (ICF-MR's), and psychiatric residential treatment facilities (PRTF's) have been computed. The computations were made in accordance with the Medicaid State Plan by indexing the amounts in the plan using the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers - All Items. The amounts listed below are the per meeting maximum with a limit of four (4) meetings per year.

The maximum allowable Board of Directors per meeting fees for 1999 are as follows:

Category	Maximum Allowable Cost for 1999		
0 - 99 Beds	\$2,796		
100 - 199 Beds	\$4,194		
200 - 299 Beds	\$5,592		
300 - 499 Beds	\$6,990		
500 Beds or More	\$8,388		

Fee computations
were made in
accordance with the
Medicaid State Plan
by indexing the
amounts in the plan
using the
Consumer Price
Index for
All Urban
Consumers –
All Items.

Split Billing Inpatient Hospital Maternity Claims

When inpatient hospital maternity claims are split billed on UB-92 claim forms, the surgical procedure code and date must be recorded in form locator 80 on both claims. This will allow both claims to process correctly.



Prior Authorization for Non-Emergency Ambulance Transportation

Effective for dates of service(s) on and after January 1, 2000 the Division of Medicaid (DOM) no longer requires prior authorization for non-emergency ambulance transportation. Providers are no longer required to fax ambulance



transports or certificates of medical necessity forms after December 31, 1999. Information regarding this change can be reviewed in the revised Ambulance Policy Manual.

Prior authorization is no longer required for non-emergency ambulance transport.

Automated Voice Response System (AVRS)

The automated voice response system (AVRS) has been modified. Previously the system only allowed providers to verify eligibility for claims up to 12 months old. Starting February 1, 2000, providers can call 1-800-884-3222 and verify eligibility for claims up to 24 months.

Automated

Automated Voice Response System (AVRS) Menu

When calling the automated voice response system at 1-800-884-3222, you may expedite your call by taking advantage of the following options.

Eligibility, Check Amount, Drug Coverage and/or Managed Care Information

Drug Prior Authorization

Recipients

Point of Service Help Desk

to access the information you need.

EDS Representative

You can make your choice at any time during the message. Just press 1, 2, 3, 4 or 0

Voice

Response

System

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Sunday	M onday	T uesday	Wednesday	T hursday	F riday	Saturday
		1 AVRS modified	2	3	4	5
				ESC Cut-Off 5 pm		
6	Checkwrite	8 Cost Report Session	9	10 Cost Report Sessions ESC Cut-Off 5 pm	11	12
13	Checkwrite	15	16	17 ESC Cut-Off 5 pm	18	19
20	21 Presidents'		23	24 ESC Cut-Off 5 pm	25	26
27	28 Checkwrite	29				

Checkwrites and Remittance Advices are dated every Monday. However, funds are not transferred until the following Thursday and Remittance Advices usually arrive the following Friday.